













# Today's Store In Yesterday's Time

BY: FAYE HOLLIDAY

Got a dime? Then come with me - I know a store where you can get a cold drink and a pack of peanuts with that dime - or a bar of candy and a package of gum - or a popsicle and five suckers - or - no, not really! But when you enter the Pope Mercantile Store in New Brockton - population 1400 - you get the feeling you're back in those days - the days of the 40's and thereabouts when a dime could lighten up a child's eyes and satisfy at least two tastes at once!

Operated by Lemuel and Sue Pope since 1948, the building's owner and store's original proprietor is Johnnie B. Maddox. Maddox turned the store over to Ed and Madeline Hornsby in 1972, and they ran it for eight years.

Maddox set up the store in 1935 in the building which originally housed the town's bank, the office of Dr. Albert Fussell and a beauty shop.

Pope is a native of Florida, although his family was originally from this area.

His wife Sue is a Coffee County girl, the daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. Benny Griswold, he being an Assembly of God pastor for many years. Mrs. Griswold now resides in Clintonville.

Pope's mother was the daughter of the late Ed Hornsby and a sister to Edwin Hornsby, who is a resident of Elba. His father, Oscar Pope, was employed with Dorsey Trailers for many years, and built the first stump-puller in the area. Also, he and a brother built the first wooden furniture - rockers, etc. - to be sold in the area.

Pope and his mother moved back to Coffee County from Florida after the death of his father in 1946, and after a stint in the Army, he moved to California. He didn't go there alone, however, having married Sue shortly before his Army discharge in 1952, the last year of his military assignment being spent at Rucker.

While in California, in San Rafael, Pope was manager of a wedding supply firm and also handled

medical gasses. He and Sue were long to come "back home, but we had to have something to come back to," she said. So when the opportunity with the store became available they had their reason.

Lemuel and Sue are the parents of two daughters, Vicky Lynn, who lives in California; and Pamela Sue, a resident of Texas. Both are married, and there are two grandchildren.

From the time you enter the store through the double screen doors you feel transported back into the time of the general store - where you could, in one fell swoop, accommodate the need for food, clothes, farm, field and stock equipment, barn fixin's, etc.

Memories of that by-gone time are stirred by fixtures in the store - the original display cases, the large wardrobe type cases with long glass doors, the candy case with its tempting treats inside.

But that nostalgic atmosphere is all that's old-fashioned, even though everything from "soup to nuts" is still available in the one location.

There are seeds, fertilizer, all types of garden supplies. While buying your seed you might also want to get a sun hat, a pair of blue jeans or a pair of boots. You can also get hoes, shovels, rakes, buckets, pots and pans; plumbing and electrical supplies; nuts and bolts, wire, PVC pipe.

For the pocket-knife folks, there are available also, as well as belts and bifolds.

The whole family can find clothing - from Baby to Mom and Dad; work clothes, dress clothes, lingerie, linens. And of course, groceries including locally produced bacon and sausage. In addition there are sewing notions of all types available.

"We can't compete with the larger stores price-wise on some clothing for example," said Mrs. Pope, "but we do offer quality." Prices might run a couple of dollars more on an item - but not always.

At any rate, Pope's is your home-town, one-stop shopping center, where you can go and browse and remember yesterday; sit down with a soft drink and chat - "We enjoy our customers," Sue says - or buy what you want and leave.

And besides, the place has atmosphere.

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## Memorial Gifts

### Received At

### ESJC Recently

### County Humane Society To Meet Tuesday

### State Farm To Increase Dividends

### Recipes

### HEAVENLY LAYER CAKE

### 1 loaf (10 3/4 oz.) frozen pound cake

### 1 can (21 oz.) cherry, apple or blueberry pie filling

### 1 carton (8 oz.) frozen whipped topping, thawed

### chopped nuts or grated chocolate (optional)

### Cut frozen cake into 4 equal length wise slices.

### Place one slice on serving plate and spread with about 1/2 can of pie filling, reserving some fruit for garnish, if desired. Continue layering, ending with cake layer.

### Frost sides and top of cake with whipped topping. Garnish with reserved fruit, nuts, and/or chocolate as desired. Cakes cut better if chilled 2-3 hours before serving.

### Serves 6-8.

### CURIOUS CARIBBEAN PUNCH

### A sprightly blend of fruit juices makes the ideal party punch for kids and grown-ups.

### 2 cans (46 oz. each) pineapple-apple juice

### 2 quarts lemonade

### 1-1/2 quarts orange juice

### 1 quart cranberry juice cocktail

### Cook and stir ground beef and onion in 10-inch skillet until beef is light brown; drain. Stir in seasoning mix and water. Heat to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer uncovered, stirring occasionally 10 minutes. Spoon beef mixture onto chips. Top with remaining ingredients. 6 servings.

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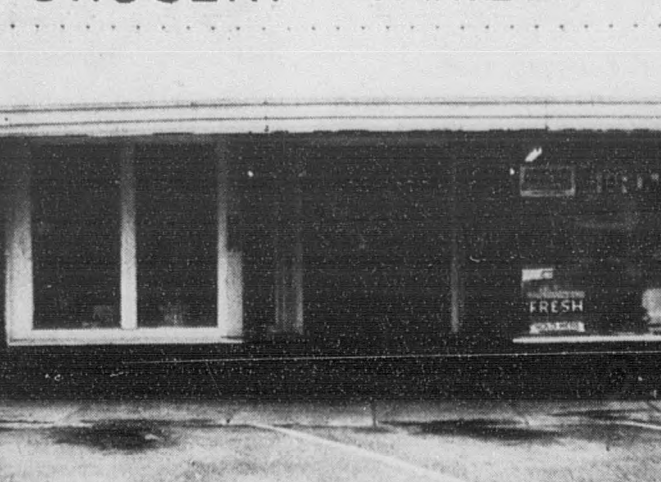
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## POPE HARDWARE SEED FARM GROCERY VARIETY



Lemuel Pope at knife case



Sue Pope beside candy case



Regular customer Julian Hutchison of New Brockton



Charlie Locklar and Leon Nicholson pass the time of day with the Pops



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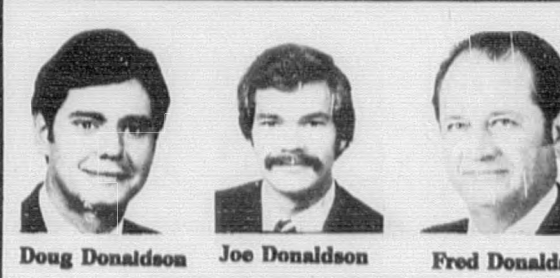
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## MULBERRY'S CORNER

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\*\*\*Happy Anniversary to Willie and Jeanette Tillis.

\*\*\*Happy Birthday is extended to Velma Coleman, James Scott, Mary C. Booker, Gladys George and Keith Henderson.

\*\*\*Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Terry Ellison on their new arrival, a baby girl, Courtney Terrell Ellison. God bless your family.

\*\*\*Elba Zion Baptist Church had a wonderful revival last week with Evangelist F.F. Andrew running it.

\*\*\*The Holy Angels Gospel group will celebrate their anniversary soon. Details coming up.

\*\*\*There was an Ebony beauty pageant in Opp Saturday night, with Miss Beverly Daniels named the winner. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O.B. Daniels.

\*\*\*Hoping Rose and Mrs. Nettie Phillips get well soon.

\*\*\*The graduating class of 1966 of Mulberry Heights will have a reunion soon. Mr. Milton Belcher will speak.

\*\*\*Welcome home, Sgt. Compton, from NCO school.

\*\*\*The Ebony Las Donas Club will hold their July meeting at the home of Mrs. Mamie Speed.

\*\*\*The Lord created the Heavens by His command, the sun, moon and stars by His spoken Word. He hatched all the seas into one place. He shut up the ocean depths in store rooms.

\*\*\*Worship the Lord, all the earth! Honor him, all peoples of the world!

When He spoke, the world was created. At His command everything appeared.

The Lord frustrates the purpose of the nation! He keeps them from carrying out their plans.

But His plans endure forever His purpose lasts eternally. Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord.

Happy are the people! He has chosen for his own.

The Lord looks down from Heaven And sees all mankind From where He rules looks down

On all who live on earth. He forms all their thoughts And knows everything they do.

A Kind does not win because of his powerful Army A soldier does not triumph because of his strength War horses are useless for victory Their great strength cannot save.

The Lord watches over those who obey Him Those who trust in his constant love He saves them from death He keeps them alive in times of famine.

From Psalms 33

BLACK HISTORY

June 21, 1956 - Charlie Dumas, California Junior College, leaped 7 feet one-half inch during the Olympic trials in Los Angeles and became the first high jumper to clear 7 feet in track history.

July 3, 1871 - Joseph H. Douglass was born in Washington, D.C. Douglass played solo concerts before Presidents Taft and McKinley and taught violin at Howard University.

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## Unemployment Compensation To Be Increased In July

Maximum payments adopted measures

under the state's unemployment compensation program

will be increased from \$90 to \$120 a week in July, William R. Heatherly, director of the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations, said the higher amount applies only to new claims filed after July 3.

In its second special session this year, the Alabama Legislature

authorized the Department of Industrial Relations to boost weekly payments to the jobless. It will be the first increase since 1975.

Weekly payments will range from \$22 to \$120, depending upon the worker's prior earnings. The new law does not change the weekly benefit amount for workers qualifying for less than the present \$90 maximum.

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## New Hope Honors Senior Members

Members of New Hope Baptist Church chose the weekend of June 25-26, 1983 to pay tribute to the senior members of their church community. This year's theme, "God's Country Kuzins", was featured in the programs, menu, and decor. Senior citizens arrived at the church at 11:00 a.m., on Sunday, June 25, for a full day of food, fellowship, and fun as the festivities got underway. They were greeted by an indoor country setting focusing upon a typical rural scene of bygone days. Bales of hay, farm implements, a saddle and blanket, milking bucket and stool, straw hat and boots completed the decor. Tables were covered with red

gingham cloths centered with red kerene lanterns and trays filled with floating day lilies. After a short time of conversation, registration, and roll call, ladies of the Young Married and Adult Couples School. School Classes served a hot lunch to New Hope Seniors and their guests. The menu from New Hope's Country Kitchen included: fried chicken, chicken salad, chicken and dressing, chicken and rice, candied yams, fresh string beans, butter beans, squash, deviled eggs, strawberry salad, rolls, corn bread, banana pudding, pound cake, red velvet cake, iced tea, lemonade, and coffee. Approximately 67 enjoyed

the delicious meal, as well as the wonderful fellowship. Replete with good food, the group moved into the sanctuary for an entertaining and inspiring musical program presented by the Sunshine Band of Girard Baptist Church, Phenix City, Alabama. This lively band, consisting of senior citizens aged 62-81 years old, blessed the hearts of everyone present as they played to the glory of God on homemade instruments such as washboards, tubs, jobs, mouth harps and kazoo. Their theme song, "Victory in Jesus," reflected the spirit of the entire group. The total performance, ranging from such old time favorites as "Pretty Bubbles," and "You

Are My Sunshine" to "I've Been Working on the Railroad", involved their audience. The Sunshine Band closed with an electrifying rendition of "Battle Hymn of the Republic," which made a lasting impression on everyone present. Senior citizens were recognized for their contribution to the church fellowship in the Morning Worship Services on June 26. Diane Smith welcomed them on behalf of the entire church, and called roll to recognize those in attendance. Old favorite hymns by choir and congregation as well as several special musical numbers were sung in tribute to senior citizens. Bona Faye Hornsby and Phyllis Wilson presented gifts to the oldest female member present, Mrs. Eala Johnson, and to the oldest male member present, Mr. Anglin Pittman. Special notice was given and gifts were also presented to the eight church family couples who have celebrated more than fifty years of marriage. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Huey Ziglar, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Artist Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Anglin Pittman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dyess, Mr. and Mrs. Comer Griswold, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Griswold, and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Parkins. Rev. Bonifay Murphy, pastor, concluded the weekend's activities with a special message from God's Word, challenging New Hope's senior citizens to be conscious of their military training before celebrating their love of God and each other, to bear fruit in these golden years of their lives, and to live each day of their lives to the fullest extent. Both senior citizens and the entire church were inspired to serve God better.

Cotton, corn and peanuts are up to a stand. God has blessed the seed and He has blessed the land. He has blessed our labor by the sweat of the brow. He has given men strength to hold to the plow. What 'ere the harvest, be it great or small, Thanks be to him that giveth all.

ELMO ROBERTS

## -- Singings --

### Outdoor Gospel Singing To Be Held At Pinelevel

The Annual Outdoor Gospel Singing at Pinelevel will be Saturday July 2nd at 7:00 p.m. People are asked to bring lawn chairs and concessions

will be available. Featured singers will be the Glover Family from Wicksburg, Dyess Family, Opp and King's Four, Elba.

## Bonifay All Night Sing This Weekend

Seventeen of the nation's most outstanding gospel singing groups will be on hand at the "Biggest All-Nite Singing in the World", Memorial Field in Bonifay, Florida on Saturday night, July 2nd. This gospel singing event, that yearly attracts thousands of fans from all across America and Canada, is a joint presentation of Gospel promoter J.G. Whitfield of Pensacola, Florida, and the Bonifay Kiwanis Club, known nationally for their civic work.

Thousands of gospel singing fans begin streaming into this Florida panhandle town early in the week for the program that begins promptly at sundown Saturday and continues with outerruption until the sun breaks the Eastern sky on Sunday morning.

This years talent line-up includes the Kingsmen, Rex

Nelson Singers, Florida Boys, Gold City Qt, Easter Brothers, Jerry Goff and the Goffs, Dixie Echoes, Lester All-Nite Singing in the Hemphills, Teddy Huffam, Singing Echoes, The Lacey Family, Sentry Men, Royal Masters, Southland Boys, and the Primitive Qt.

Acres of free parking surround the field, and concession stands on the grounds will remain open all night.

While stadium seats are available and fill up quickly on each side of the field, most folks prefer to bring their own folding chairs and lounges, pallets, quilts, sleeping bags, blankets, and pillows. The kids get sleepy and many adults also nap during the night, but the singing goes on.

Ticketing will be on sale all day at the stadium. Adults \$5.00 and Children \$2.00. See you in Bonifay!

## Bible Verse

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High: To show forth thy lovingkindness every night.

PSALMS 92:1-2

## Homecoming Observed At

## Friendship

Homecoming will be observed at Friendship Baptist Church, 6 1/2 miles north-east of Kinston, July 3. Rev. O.P. Davis from Albertville, Alabama will bring the morning message. Dinner will be served at noon with special singing and recognition of former pastors in the afternoon. Everyone is invited to attend.

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## 4-H District Round-Up Held June 16 In Troy



The winners of the junior division of the District 4-H Public Speaking-ANR Activity were announced recently. (l-r) Dot Youngblood presented the first place award to Matthew Morrow, Elba; Stanton Kelley of Covington Co. placed 2nd;



Rhonda Baker (3rd from left), from Zion Chapel, placed at the District 4-H Public Speaking Activity. Presenting the awards is Dot Youngblood, for South Ala. Electric, event sponsor. With Ms. Youngblood and Rhonda is Shannon Money, Geneva County, and Ray Huddleston, Ala. Cooperative Extension Service.



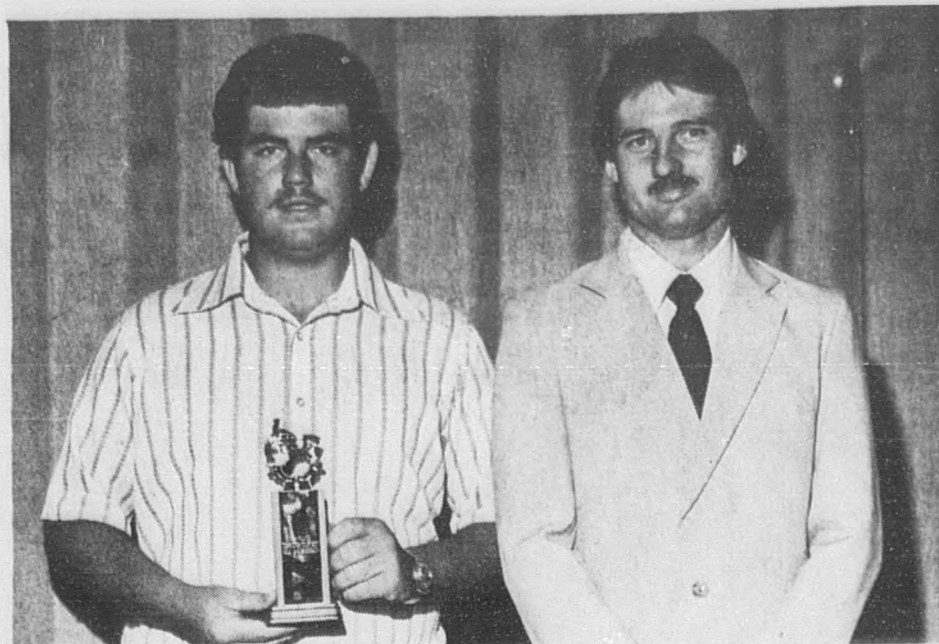
The males have come into the picture in the foods scene. Two of the three winners in the District 4-H Meat Demonstration/Talk Activity were boys. Presenting the awards was Edwina Henderson, President of Pike Co. Cowbellies, event sponsor. Wanda Person, Barbour Co., placed 1st; Todd Wilson, Covington Co., placed 2nd; and DeWayne Chancellor, Coffee Co., placed 3rd.



Competing in the 4-H District Round-Up at Troy were 26 young people from Coffee Co. Kevin Killingsworth from Jack placed 2nd. (l-r) Jane Brewer, for Alabama Poultry and Egg Association, is presenting the 1st place award to

Cissy Powell, Covington Co. Renee Frye, Houston Co., placed 3rd. Tony Dozier, 4-H Specialist-ANR, represented the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service.

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Donnie Hussey of Elba placed 1st in the District 4-H Tractor Driving Event held in Troy. Tony Cook, 4-H Specialist/Engineering, presented the award.



Outstanding 4-H Leaders -- Three area 4-H volunteer leaders were recognized for their volunteer efforts June 16 at 4-H District Roundup in Troy. They are (from left) Sandy Barnes, Goshen; Ivey Jones, Dozier; and Charles D. Lowery, Troy. Barbara Cherella, 4-H Specialist/Leader-

ship with the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service, presented the awards. Mr. Lowery is principal of the Zion Chapel Elementary School. He has worked with 4-H for 25 years.



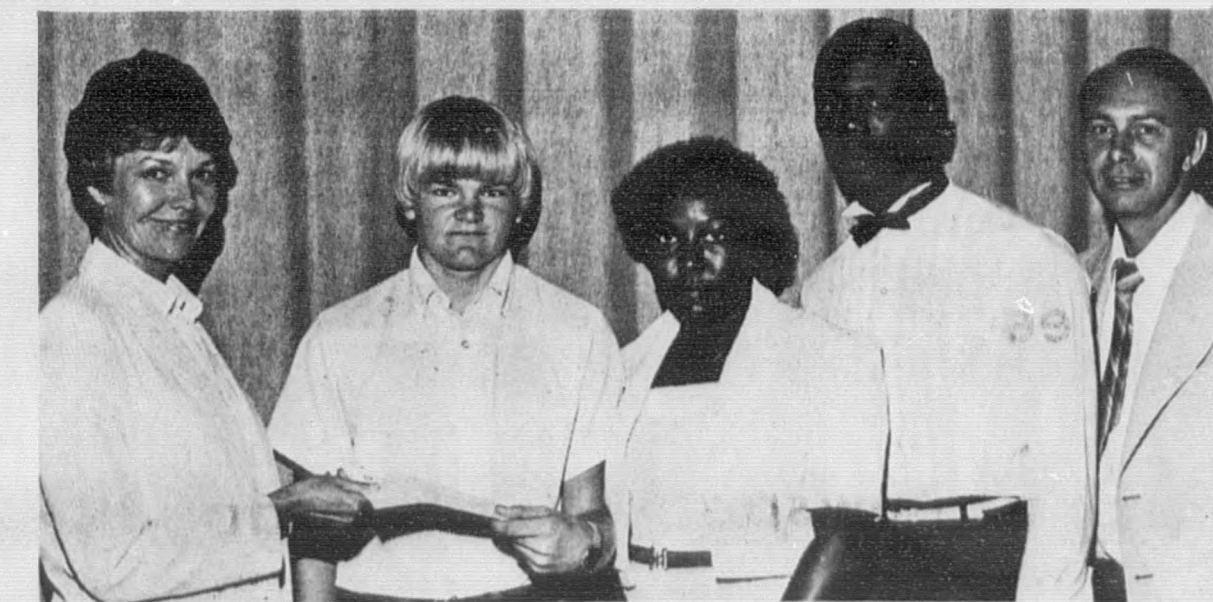
Dot Youngblood, for South Alabama Electric, event sponsor, gave the awards to the winners of the District 4-H Public Speaking-Home Economics Activity. The winners (left to right) were: Andra Person, Barbour

County; Barbara Liptrot, Coffee County; Tammy Freeman, Henry County; and Denise White, Dale County. Ray Huddleston represents the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service.



The winners from the District 4-H Electric Energy Demonstration-Appliances, were announced recently. (left to right) Jim Edwards, for Alabama Power Company, event sponsor, presented the awards to: Shirley

McMillion, Crenshaw Co.; Amy McCall, Dale Co.; and Dawn Smith, Jack. Genta Speakman, Housing and Equipment Specialist, represented the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service.



The aroma of barbecued chicken was just too much for the judges of the District 4-H Chicken-Que competition held recently in Troy. Brian McLeod from Zion Chapel accepted the 1st place award in the senior division from Jane Brewer, representing Alabama Poultry and Egg

Association. Others winning were Deborah Vickers, Dale County, and Joseph Lee, Bullock Co. Tony Dozier, 4-H Specialist-ANR, represented the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service.

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# Sports

Views From

## THE PRESSBOX

By, Ricky Mularz Editor

I was out of town again much of last week, but hopefully won't be on the road in weeks to come and I'll be able to catch up on all the local news. This week I'll just try to touch all the bases!

### ELBA CLASSIC WAS SMALL, BUT EXCITING

I wasn't in town to watch this year's Elba Softball Classic, but I heard it ran smoothly and was filled with exciting softball action. Only 10 teams entered because of the strength of a couple of entries, and that was a little disappointing to some people; however, when you stage a tournament that is open to all classes of teams, that is what happens.

Oddly enough it was Aamco of Montgomery a lot of folks were scared of (at least five teams dropped out) and Aamco finished third. The Aamco team was ranked 16th in the nation coming into the Classic, only to have three players jump to another team only days before our tourney. The team was still good and I'm not making any excuses for them, but I bet a lot of other folks would have entered if they'd known Aamco wasn't at full-strength.

Western Sizzlin' won the event and put on a show in their final three games as they beat the cover of the ball. The team beat some mighty strong teams, and to win the Classic is certainly a feather in their cap. By the way, if a "Most Valuable Player" trophy had been awarded, Western Sizzlin's David Hope would have been a near-unanimous selection.

By next June the new complex will be in full operation and plans are to hold a Class A, Class B and Class C "Classic" on the same weekend. It oughta be wild!

### DIVISION PLAY INCREASES SOFTBALL ACTION

If you don't think the dividing up of the men's softball league didn't even things up, you haven't been to a ballgame! The A Division play was highlighted by Hammond's Body Shop's "home-run explosion" against Hickman; and a preview of things to come was New Brockton's near-upset of unbeaten Elba Exchange Bank. Brockton was ranked sixth in the division, but in the split league anyone can win any night.

Over in B Division it's even wilder, as three teams are within a game of the lead, and no games are sure wins. Kelley's Packing opened with wins over the two top teams, then barely scraped past last place Work Release. Every game will be a toss-up—just the way it's supposed to be!

### BABE RUTH HONORS

The Dixie Youth season isn't over yet, so this week I'll pick my Babe Ruth honorees for the 1983 season.

"Rookie-of-the-Year" has to be Leon Coleman of the A's. Coleman, a spunky little short stop and pitcher, was a solid player at both positions on defense and batted a cool .346 to rank among the league's top batters.

"Player-of-the-Year" was hard to choose, but after much thought I decided on White Sox outfielder Jack Lee. Lee is a true outfielder and roams his centerfield position as well as anyone who has ever played in the league. Lee also batted .419 to rank second, making him a solid all-around player.

Another look at the upcoming six-class setup. I know it's a year away, and you're probably tired of reading about it, but I'm going to mention the upcoming "Six Class" assignment one last time for this month anyway and point out a few interesting items.

In Class A Kingston will be in Area 4 and will compete with Brantley, Coffee Springs, Dozier and Pleasant Home. Not too bad a draw in either sport!

In Class 2A, Zion Chapel will move into Area 3 along with Florida, Goshen and Straughn. Things will be getting tougher for the Rebels. New Brockton will jump in Area 4 and be in a new world joined by Samson, Cottonwood and Houston County. It's going to be a new looking schedule!

In Class 3A, things are interesting in Area 4 where Luverne will be joined by Elmore County, Holtville and Louisville. Two tough opponents for Luverne.

In Class 4A of course, Area 3 consists of Elba, Daleville and Pike County, while up in Class 5A the "big boys" are in Area 3, where Troy, Opp, Andalusia and Greenville will battle it out. When!!

In Class 6A, Area 6, you've got powerhouse Jeff Davis joined by weak sisters Carver and Selma. One of them will make it to state? Afraid not.

### AN 11-GAME SCHEDULE IN '83?

The Alabama High School Athletic Association will allow high schools to play an 11-game schedule this fall, and the possibilities are fun to look at! Teams with open dates we could pick up include Alba, Montgomery Catholic, Jacksonville, Wilcox County, Robert E. Lee, B.C. Rain and Long High. Not much of a choice, but who knows?

**The Elba Athletic Club Meeting Set For Tonight Has Been Re-scheduled For Thursday Night, July 7 At 8:00**

**Free Canoe Classes To Be Held**

The Elba Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a free class for all canoeists on Tuesday, July 12, at 5:00 p.m., at the city pool. For more information call Paula Mims at 897-3125.

## Mets Avoid Pirate Ambush

### Dixie Youth Baseball

The Dixie Youth Baseball league season continued to wind down as the Mets and Tigers locked up the Top 2 spots. With only one night of action left, the Mets have already won the championship with a 10-1 record, while the Tigers are 5-3, Astros 5-6, Pirates 5-8, Cardinals 4-8 and Yankees 4-8.

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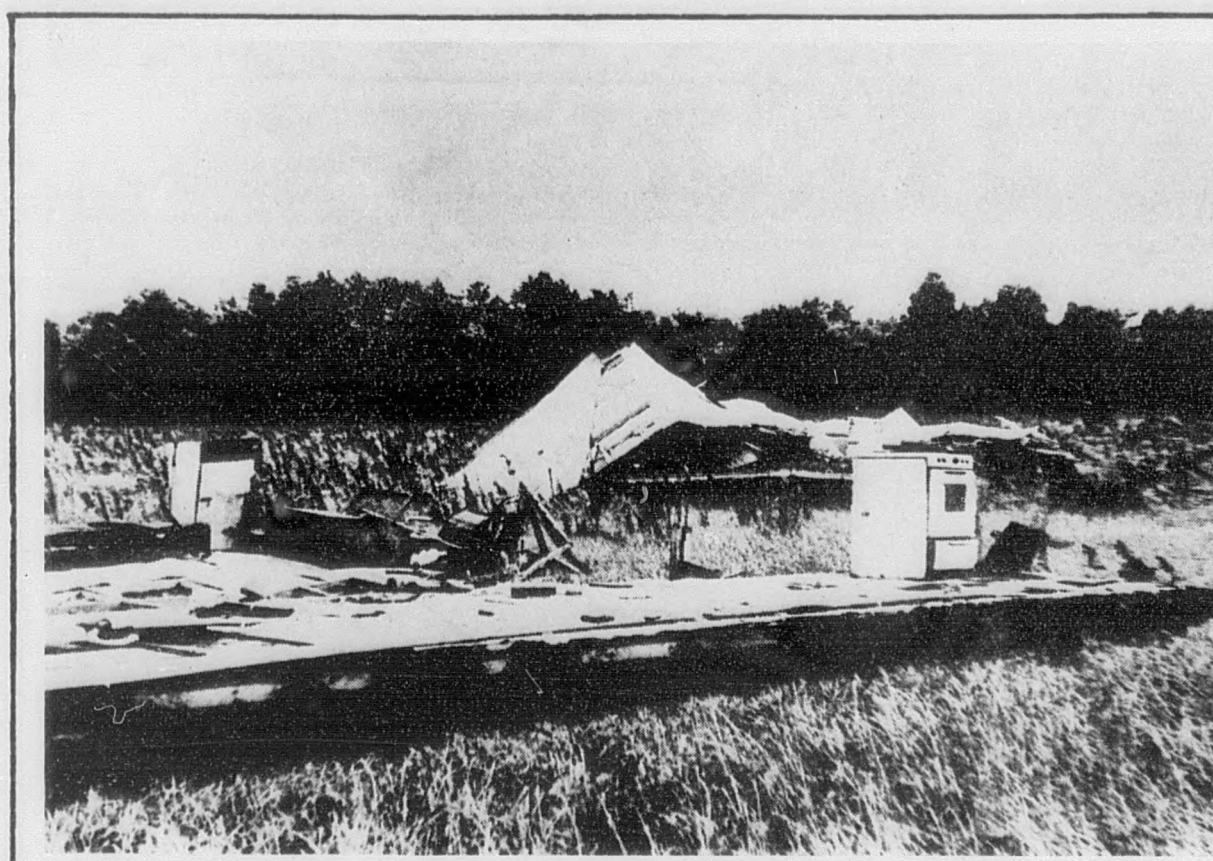
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ONLY THE STOVE WAS LEFT STANDING... after high winds totally destroyed this mobile home during a Tuesday thunderstorm.

## High Winds Rip Thru County

A severe thunderstorm unleashed tornado strength winds across a rural section of Coffee County on Tuesday afternoon, causing heavy property damage to mobile homes and residences near the Goodman Community. The storm hit between

3:00-3:15 p.m. and high winds cleared a path one mile wide and six miles long, leaving destruction in its wake. Two house trailers on County Road 14 were completely destroyed by the high winds, a roof was blown off a barn, trees were thrown across

rooftops of several homes, and the Conagra processing plant sustained roof damage to outside buildings and also had windows blown out. No one was injured in the storm, which also dumped heavy rain on much of the county.

## County Receives Grant

Governor George C. Wallace announced this week the awarding of \$1.1 million in SBA Parks and Recreation Area Development Grants to counties and communities across the state and included among those receiving grants was the Coffee County Commission, which received a \$20,000 grant for landscaping various Coffee County public facilities.

The funding was made thru the Dept. of Economic and Community Affairs with only 38 grants approved from the 214 applications received by DECA.

"I want to personally commend each and every recipient on their efforts to improve their publicly owned land," Gov. Wallace said, "and for the additional employment that will result from these grants."

Other local areas receiving grants were: Arton-\$20,000 for landscaping improvements at Arton Recreation Park; Brundidge-\$17,448 for landscaping at the Brundidge City Park; Clayton-\$20,000 for landscaping improvements at the Clayton Recreation Park; Florala-\$25,000 for the Florala landscaping project; Geneva-\$20,000 for landscaping improvements at C.O. Chapman Memorial Park; Greenville-\$20,000 for landscaping and beautification of three sites in Greenville; and Ozark-\$20,000 for park beautification program.

In discussing the grant at a Tuesday afternoon press conference, Probate Judge Marion Brunson stated the money would go toward improving the appearance of all county grounds, including the outside appearance at both courthouses, both Health Dept. offices, the Pensions and Security office and the Farm Center.

The work will begin in August and must be completed during the month of September, according to Federal guidelines.

"The purpose of the grant is to beautify our grounds," stated Judge Brunson, "but at the same time to help



Probate Judge Marion Brunson tells a gathering of news media of a \$20,000 grant received by the county. The funds will be used to beautify the grounds at the locations of various county buildings.

the unemployed in the county by putting them to work on the project. People who want to work should apply at the State Employment Office, not at county offices, and if they qualify we'll put 'em to work."

"As soon as I became aware of the grant we (the county commission) applied for it," added Brunson, "and I have followed it thru Montgomery. It is a 100% grant and I'm excited about it because it will be used to give our

people something worthy of using."

Judge Brunson, who in recent months has spearheaded a move to renovate the two courthouses, summed up his feelings by quoting from a Reader's Digest article, which stated "A city without old buildings is like a man without memories."

"While I'm judge," closed Brunson, "we will continue to work on renovating our buildings so everyone will be proud."

## Dr. Crabtree Named Principal At ZC

The Coffee County Board of Education met on Tuesday night, July 5, in Elba, and voted unanimously to employ Dr. Willard Crabtree as the new principal at Zion Chapel High School.

Crabtree, chosen from a list of 10 applicants, is a graduate of Ider High School, received a BS from Jacksonville State University, a Masters from the University of Alabama and earned his Doctorate in Education Administration from the University of Alabama. He is a former instructor at

Troy State University and most recently was the principal at Stevenson High School.

Tuesday's meeting lasted only approximately one hour, with the naming of Dr. Crabtree being the primary item of business.

The new elementary school in Kinston was again discussed with Supt. John W. Vaughan reporting the building specifications had to be altered slightly, but that invitations to bid would be advertised later this week.

The new \$400,000 school is expected to be open for the 1984-85 school year.

In other action at the meeting, the board:

\*\*\*adopted minutes of the previous meeting;

\*\*\*again voiced opposition to the "prevailing wage" and "tenure for support personnel" bills now in the state legislature;

\*\*\*and, adjourned until Monday, July 11 at 7:00 a.m.

## Marker To Be Placed At Site Of Hart Family Grave

"Today the grave is marked with several bricks which outline the common grave of the seven murdered Harts." This quote from Chapter 4 of Marion Bailey Brunson's PEA RIVER REFLECTIONS describes the quiet remains of the bloodiest massacre in the history of Coffee County.

In the time surrounding the county's

formation, the swamp of Pea River had a heavy population of hostile Indians. Among the white settlers entrapped to a cautious lifestyle were the families of Josiah and Bob Hart who lived in the Fairview and Leverett Communities in South Coffee County.

According to Brunson's book, "The Indians made sneak attacks on the

settlers at milking time. They learned that the Josiah Hart family milked their cows at night and the Bob Hart family milked theirs in the morning." This chore-time on a late afternoon in the Fall of 1835 set the stage for a sneak attack and the killing of seven members of the Hart family and wounding of a two-year-old child, Melinda. Leaving a bloody heap of bodies in the cowpen, the Indians returned to the swamp to plan their attack on the Bob Hart family several miles away. "During the night the Indians came out of the Pea River swamp and rode their horses to the Bob Hart home. . . . The Indians lay in ambush until the break of day because the scouts had learned that they milked their cows early in the morning," records Brunson. In the ensuing battle several Indians including the chief were killed. Losing their leader, the Creeks fled and a posse from Pate's Company pursued them into Florida where several were killed.

The original cypress posts which served as markers for the common grave have been replaced by bricks. As a result of Brunson's account of the Hart family and the efforts of interested citizens, the Coffee County Commission has purchased a memorial to be placed at the gravesite.

There will be an official public dedication ceremony on Saturday, July 9, 1983 at 4:30 in the afternoon. The Weeks Assembly of God Cemetery is located below the Ino Community about five miles east of Kinston.

The public is cordially invited to attend this program to be conducted by descendants of the Hart Family and other community leaders.

## Plenty Of Room Now At Coffee County Jail

The recent transfer of state inmates out of overcrowded county jails has had an impact statewide, but nowhere was the transfer more highly welcomed than at the antiquated Coffee County Jail in Elba.

The Coffee County Jail, which maintains a 36-bed capacity, has long been a "stopover point" for state prisoners and at times has housed over 30 state prisoners, with many of the prisoners stopping over for periods of up to 3 years. The state inmates were not only a problem to satisfy in the jam-packed facility, as inmates filed lawsuits contending conditions at the

jail were unconstitutional. Sheriff Brice Paul reported this week the jail population is down to 32, with only six being state inmates. Of the six, three will reportedly stay at the jail as cooks and laborers, while the others will be removed shortly.

During the time the population is down, the Sheriff has plans to overhaul the facility, using state supervisors from the Board of Corrections, state trustees, county maintenance workers and county jail inmates. Planned work includes rewiring, painting, plumbing repairs and general maintenance.

## Stolen Truck Recovered After Short Search

A 1972 El Camino truck stolen from the parking lot of The Peoples Bank early Tuesday morning was recovered only hours later when it was spotted at the parking lot of the Dairy Queen.

The truck, owned by Gerald Tucker was stolen between the hours of 8 a.m.-11 a.m. and was recovered at 12:02 p.m. The case is still under investigation.

## Coffee County Continues To Rank High In Collecting Child Support

In the first three months of 1983, the Department of Pensions and Security's child support collections were down by more than \$135,000 in comparison to collections for the last quarter of 1982. During January, February and March of 1983, the state collected almost \$1,532,000 in support for children receiving welfare benefits. In October, November and December of 1982, collections amounted to about \$1,668,000.

"We attribute the decrease in collections partly to the state's high unemployment rate," said Leon Frazier, commissioner of the state Department of Pensions and Security. "Unemployed people often have difficulty paying the child support they owe."

Frazier said the terminations of about 2,000 families from the Aid to Dependent Children program early this year also contributed to the decrease in collections. The families were dropped from the ADC program because the child support collected for them was enough to disqualify them from receiving welfare benefits.

"The families dropped from the rolls are now receiving child support directly from absent parents instead of ADC from the state," said Frazier. "Their child support payments are no longer coming to the state."

In noting the downturn in collections for the first quarter of the year, Frazier said he expects collections for the year to go above the \$7.5 million collected last year. One reason is that the collections in excess of \$1.5 million for the first quarter do not reflect any of the almost \$1.1 million in child support collected this year from income tax refunds of absent parents. In many cases, Frazier said, the state can intercept the refunds of parents who are behind in paying court-ordered child support.

"We hope to increase collections not only through better management of the program as it is but also through improvements in our state's child support laws," Frazier said. "Currently before our legislature are three bills

that, if enacted, could increase our collections by as much as 25 percent. These are bills passed after laws that have proven very successful in other states."

Child support collections help to fund the ADC program, the welfare program that provides monthly payments to families with children. Courts, district attorneys and, in some instances, private attorneys assist the Department of Pensions and Security in the enforcement of child support obligations.

According to a detailed report released by the Alabama Department of Pensions and Security, Coffee County ranked fourth in the state during the recent three-month period in child support collections.

The county-by-county report showed Conecuh County tops in child support collections, followed in order by Lauderdale, Cullman and Coffee.

During the months of January through March, Coffee County collected \$15,229.38 in child support payments, up almost \$2000 from the same period a year ago. Payments went to 572 children, for an average collection of \$26.62 per child.

Following is a listing of surrounding counties and their statewide ranking in child support collections:

## Ranking Of Local Counties

Rank	County	Collections Quarter Ending 3-31-83*	March 1983 ADC Children	Average Collection Per ADC Child
1	Conecuh	\$15,229.38	572	\$26.62
2	Lauderdale	23,464.19	1,058	22.18
3	Cullman	7,299.46	389	18.76
4	Coffee	29,108.26	1,612	18.06
5	Houston	10,397.10	605	17.19
6	Covington	17,576.73	1,108	15.86
7	Butler	7,611.00	512	14.87
8	Geneva	13,858.94	1,102	12.58
9	Barbour	4,821.42	382	8.73
10	Dale	6,147.18	725	8.48
11	Bullock			